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## **UNBEATENS MOHAYMEN, CHAMPION NYQUIST TOP INDIVIDUAL AND OVERALL CHOICES HEADING INTO KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER POOL 3**

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Tuesday, March 8, 2016)** – A pair of unbeaten stars in **Shadwell Stable's** Fountain of Youth (GII) winner **Mohaymen (#13)** and **Reddam Racing LLC's** reigning American 2-year-old champion **Nyquist (#15)**, the winner of the Grade II San Vicente at Santa Anita in his 2016 debut, rank as the individual and overall early betting choices among 24 wagering interests in Churchill Downs Racetrack's third of four pools in the **Kentucky Derby Future Wager** ("KDFW"), which launches its three-day run on **Friday, March 11**.

**Mohaymen (#13)**, a gray son of Tapit who ran his streak of perfection for trainer **Kiaran McLaughlin** to five races with an easy win in the Fountain of Youth (GII) at Gulfstream Park on Feb. 27, was installed as the 7-2 KDFW Pool 3 favorite in Churchill Downs handicapper **Mike Battaglia's** morning line odds for the wager. Breeders' Cup Juvenile (GI) winner **Nyquist (#15)**, a son of Uncle Mo who has won each of six races for trainer **Doug O'Neill**, was installed at odds of 9-2 for Pool 3, which makes the champion the co-second choice with the **Mutuel Field (#24)**, or "All Others." The always-popular "All Others" bet includes all 3-year-old Thoroughbreds other than the 23 individual horses listed on the pool's 24 betting interests.

The penultimate of four pools in the 2016 Kentucky Derby Future Wager gets underway on Friday at noon (all times Eastern) and three days of Derby future betting is set to **close at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 13**. The Derby Futures pool will parallel the 2016 pool of Churchill Downs' **Kentucky Oaks Future Wager**, which also will close Sunday, but that pool's 6:30 p.m. close will come 30 minutes after the final wager in the Derby bet is accepted.

Wagering on KDFW Pool 3 will be offered at Churchill Downs; via **Twinspires.com** – the official online wagering platform of the Kentucky Derby – and other online outlets; and at racetracks and satellite wagering centers throughout North America.

The Kentucky Derby Future Wager, launched by Churchill Downs in 1999, enables fans of the Kentucky Derby to wager on contenders for its 2016 running well in advance of the race at odds that could be much more attractive than those available on Derby Day. Each Kentucky Derby Future Wager pool permits \$2 minimum win bets and \$2 exacta wagers, with the latter also available in \$1 minimum increments in boxes and other multiple number configurations.

No scratches or refunds of wagers are permitted in the Kentucky Derby Future Wager. If it is determined during any KDFW pool that a wagering interest will not be able to participate in the Kentucky Derby, wagering on that interest will be suspended immediately.

Wagering during the Feb. 12-14 KDFW Pool 2 totaled \$441,209, which included \$321,925 in win wagers and \$119,284 in exacta bets. Wagering on the first two pools of the 2016 Kentucky Derby Future Wager stood at **\$615,891** heading into this week's wagering Pool 3 wagering period, with a **fourth and final pool scheduled for April 1-3**.

Just behind the top three in the KDFW Pool 3 betting roster is **Michael Lund Petersen's Mor Spirit (#14, 12-1)**, the **Bob Baffert**-trained winner of the Los Alamitos Futurity (GI) and Santa Anita's Robert B. Lewis (GIII). Baffert, who saddled **Zayat Stable's** eventual Horse of the Year **American Pharoah** to win the 2015 Derby and become the first Triple Crown winner since 1978, has a pair of wagering interests in Pool 3 as he seeks a fifth win in the "Run for the Roses." Baffert also trains **Michael Tabor**, **Derrick Smith** and **Mrs. John Magnier's** recent maiden winner **Cupid (#3, 30-1)**.

**Todd Pletcher**, **Chad Brown** and **Keith Desormeaux** also have a pair Pool 3 Kentucky Derby hopes in their stables.

Ten Pool 3 wagering interests were not a part of the second KDFW pool that ran from Feb. 12-14. That group includes **American Dubai (#1, 50-1)**, **Cupid**, **Destin (#5, 30-1)**, **Economic Model (#6, 50-1)**, **Forevamo (#8, 50-1)**, **Matt King Coal (#11, 50-1)**, **Riker (#16, 50-1)**, **Suddenbreakingnews (#19, 20-1)**, **Swipe (#20, 20-1)** and **Uncle Lino (#21, 50-1)**.

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KDFW Pool 2 betting interests not included in Pool 3 include **Airoforce, Awesome Banner, Cherry Wine, Cocked and Loaded, Collected, Discreetness, Gettysburg, Gift Box, Tom's Ready and Vorticity.**

Information on the Kentucky Derby is available online at the official event web site at [www.KentuckyDerby.com](http://www.KentuckyDerby.com). Past performances and real-time odds on the Kentucky Derby Future Wager will be available on that site throughout the pool.

<b>2016 Kentucky Derby Future Wager Pool 3</b> <b>Friday, March 11 - Sunday, March 13</b>				
#	Wagering Interest	Morning Line Odds	Closing Odds	\$2 Will-Pay
1	American Dubai*	50-1		
2	Brody's Cause	20-1		
3	Cupid*	30-1		
4	Danzing Candy	30-1		
5	Destin*	30-1		
6	Economic Model*	50-1		
7	Exaggerator	15-1		
8	Forevamo*	50-1		
9	Greenpointcrusader	30-1		
10	Gun Runner	20-1		
11	Matt King Coal*	50-1		
12	Mo Tom	20-1		
13	Mohaymen	7-2		
14	Mor Spirit	12-1		
15	Nyquist	9-2		
16	Riker*	50-1		
17	Shagaf	20-1		
18	Smokey Image	20-1		
19	Suddenbreakingnews	20-1		
20	Swipe*	20-1		
21	Uncle Lino*	50-1		
22	Whitmore	50-1		
23	Zulu	20-1		
24	Mutuel Field (All Others)	9-2		
<b>*Wagering interest not included in KDFW Pool 2</b>				
<b>Dropped from KDFW Pool 2: Airoforce, Awesome Banner, Cherry Wine, Cocked and Loaded, Collected, Discreetness, Gettysburg, Gift Box, Tom's Ready, Vorticity</b>				
<b>Kentucky Derby Future Wager morning line odds by Mike Battaglia</b>				

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